## REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the thorough review and the Examiner's indication that claims 8-15 Applicant cancelled claims 1-3. Applicant also appreciates the Examiner's are allowed. indication that claims 4-7 contain patentable subject matter which would be allowable if rewritten to contain the elements of the base claim and any intervening claims, as well as obviating any double patenting rejections. Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 4 to include the elements of base claim 1, and amended claim 7 to include the elements of base claims 1 and 2. Claims 5 and 6 continue to depend from claim 4. Therefore, claims 4-7 no longer depend from any claims rejected by the Examiner as unpatentable for being either anticipated or obvious in light of the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 4-16 are now in condition for allowance.

Applicant also provides a "Replacement Sheet" showing parts 71, 73, and 75 on Figures 5 and 6. As noted by the Examiner, these parts were discussed in the Application as filed, but inadvertently left off the corresponding Figures. The Replacement Sheet should alleviate the Examiner's objection under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a). Applicant also amended Figures 5 and 6 so that the numbers less than 65 each included the prime symbol so that they correspond correctly with the text in paragraphs [0027] - [0029] of the Application. There are no changes to Figures 1-4, and no new matter is being added to the figures through either of the amendments to Figures 5 and 6 found on the Replacement Sheet. Therefore, Applicant believes that the objection to the drawings is now alleviated, and that the Application is now in condition for allowance.

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## **CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that remaining claims 4-16 are all in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested, and Applicant respectfully requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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